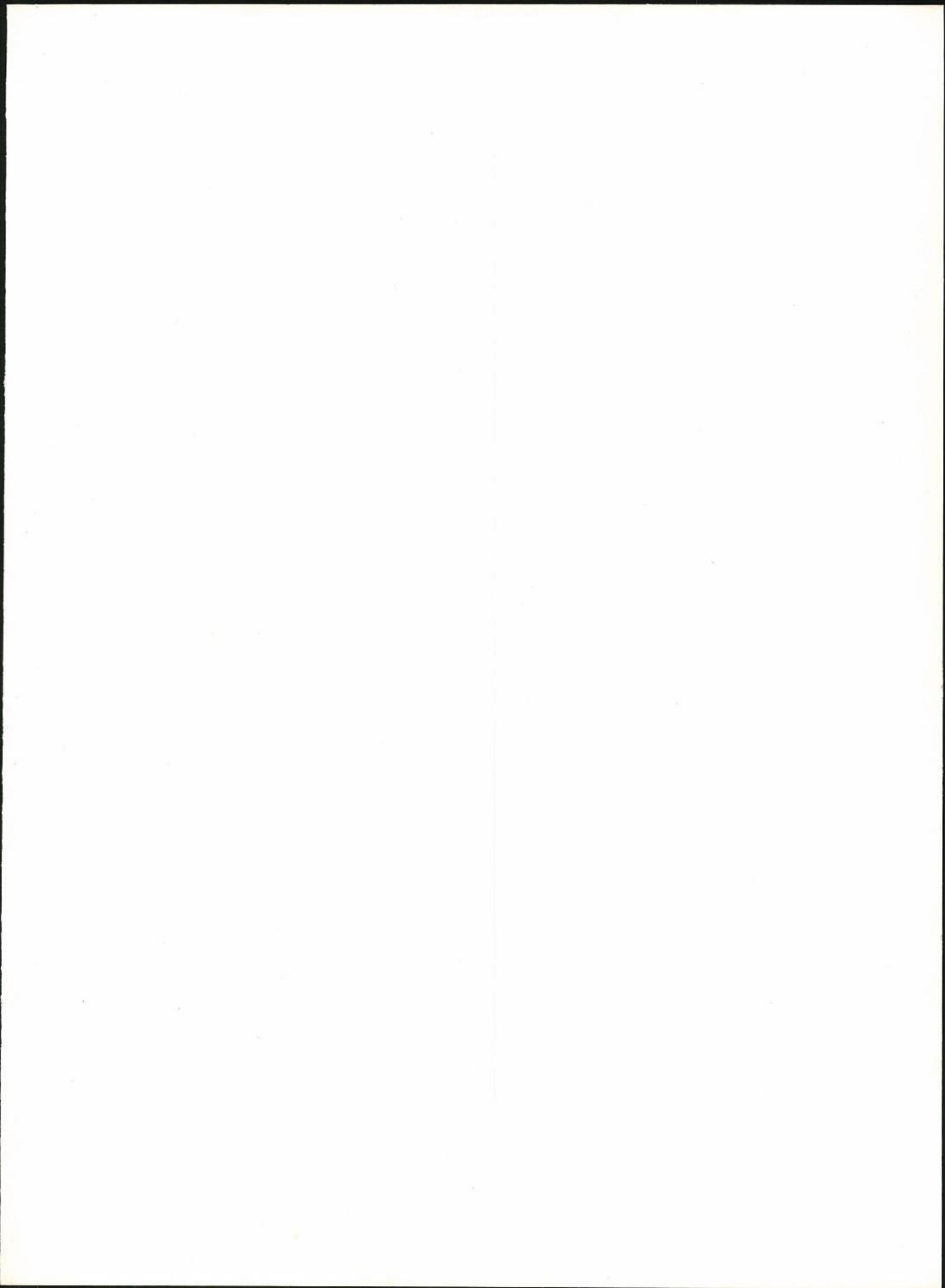


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**1950**











# MONTAGUE HIGH SCHOOL



Editor - Jone Leddick  
Assistant Editor - Mary Dahl

# 1950



# DEDICATION

We the class of 1950 do dedicate this Annual to two people because of their equally deserving. One, Mrs. Nellie B. Chisolm for her general outlook for the good of the school and for her earnest endeavor to make the schools of Muskegon County what they are today. The other, Mr. Ray Aley for his good advice and ever constant help to members of the Senior Class. Mr. Aley has always been considerate and his help enabled the four H.S. years of the Class of 1950 to run more smoothly. We say thank you and extend all our gratitude to both Mrs. Chisholm and Mr. R. Aley.



## ANNUAL STAFF



Third Row; left to right: S. Vanderzyll, V. Nichols, B. Seaben, M. Woller, D. Weesies, F. Struven, M. Hissong, J. Helmer, E. Machovsky.  
Second Row: D. Mahoney, E. Gregersen, D. Yager, B. Brown, G. Hanson, Adv.; A. Kellogg, L. Christensen, A. Cox, M. Eilers, M. Parker, B. Eilers.  
First Row: J. Dahl, B. Doubles, M. Kessler, M. Dahl, J. Leddick, Editor; B. Westbrook, J. Bartlett, C. Hall, I. Stokes.



# FACULTY



Third Row, Left to Right: M. Dahlstrom, M. DeWitt, E. Taylor, M. Siakel, R. Oehrli, Superintendent; R. Yeager, E. Scharmer, L. Nelson.  
 Second Row: M. Harkema, R. VanRaalte, A. Kellogg, E. Townsend, Principal; G. Felt, R. Aley, C. Price, R. Short.  
 First Row: M. Sidell, R. Omness, E. Price, S. Shouba, D. Flagstead, M. Pike, M. Gerred, E. LaNore.



# HONOR STUDENTS



Back Row, Left to Right: B. MacDonald, H. Schneider, M. Woller.  
 Front Row: C. Erdman, M. Dahl, B. Brown.



## BUS DRIVERS



Back Row, Left to Right: B. Thieman, M. Lipka, P. Jelinek, M. Lipka.  
Front Row: D. Aiken, R. Kroph, W. Lipka, A. Nichols.

## OFFICE GIRL



Viola Kroph



# SENIORS



'Out From Channels Into Deep Water'



## SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Back Row, Left to Right: J. Rogers, Vice-President;  
J. Leddick, Secretary.  
Front Row, Left to Right: M. Parker, President;  
M. Kessler, Treasurer.

## GRADUATES



The Graduating Class of 1950.



**JOYCE BARTLETT**

'If you do I'll call Skip'

Band 1,2,3,4  
Double Trio 2,3,4  
Chorus 2,3,4  
Pageant 2  
Cats Meow 2,3,4  
Girl's League 3  
Student Council 3,4  
Senior Play 1,2  
Pep Band 3



**ELMER BAYS**

'I've got the lovesick blues.'

Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 2,3,4  
Football 4  
F. F. A. 2,3,4  
Senior Play 2



**ROGER BALL**

'Fields afar'

Football 1,2,4  
F.F.A. 1

**EARL BENNETT**

'Me and my T'

Football 1,2,3,4  
Senior Play 1



**BARBARA BROWN**

'Sweet and Shy'

Girl's League 2  
Cats Meow 3,4  
Senior Play 1  
Annual Staff



**HERBERT BRUNAIS**

'Anchors Away'



**JAMES CHRISTENSEN**

'Little but Oh My!'

**LOREN CHRISTENSEN**

'Just a Great Big Bundle of Joy'

Football 1,2  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Track 2,3  
Student Council 4  
Baseball 1,2  
Senior Play 2





JEAN CASEBOLT

'Kentucky Babe'



ALLEN COX

'Me and My Shadow'

Annual Staff

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4



JO ANN DAHL

'I Don't Want Riches,  
Just Richards'

Cheerleading 1,2,3

Band 1

G. Basketball 1

Class Secretary 1,3

Cats Meow 4

Girls League 3

Senior Play 2

MARY DAHL

'Female Einstein'

Mixed Chorus 1

Vice President 2

Senior Play 2

Girls League 2,4

Assistant Annual Editor



TRUDY DAHL

'Mysterious Lady'

Mixed Chorus 1,2

Band 1,2

G. Basketball 1,2

Pageant 1,2

Double Trio 1,2



MELVIN DAVEY

'Silence is Golden?'

Baseball 1,2,3,4

F.F.A. 2,3,4

Basketball 2,3,4

Senior Play 2



RUTH ELLEN DEATER

'Pass that Peace-Pipe'

G. Basketball 1

Girls League 2

Pageant 3

Mixed Chorus 3,4

Double Trio 4

BEVERLY DOUBLES

'I Can Dream Can't I?'

Girls League 3

Cats Meow 3,4

Pageant 3

Annual Staff

Senior Play 1





BETTY EILERS

'The Bashful Blonde'

Band 1,2  
Girls League 2,3  
Annual Staff  
Pageant 3  
Cats Meow 4



MARY ALICE EILERS

'The Shy Country Lass'

Band 1,2,3  
Annual Staff



CYRIL ERDMAN

'Destiny Calls'

Student Council 2,3  
Cats Meow 4

WAYNE FRIDAY

'Oh You Redhead'

Football 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2,4  
F.F.A. 3,4



DAVID FROST

'Just David'

Baseball 1  
Basketball 2  
Football 3



ERNEST GREGERSEN

'Rothbury Here I Come'

Football 4  
Basketball 3,4  
Senior Play  
Annual Staff



FLOYD GROVER

'While the Cats Away  
The Mice Will Play'

Basketball 1  
Football 1,2  
Senior Play 2

CHARLOTTE HALL

'I Wonder What's Become  
of Sally?'

Annual Staff  
Senior Play 1  
Pageant 3  
Girls League 4





GEORGE HANSON

'The Third Man-Boom-Boom'

Football 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Class Treasurer 2  
Annual Staff



JUNE HELMER

'Me and Betts'



RODGER HOFFMAN

'Man of Distinction'

Band 1,2,3,4

EDWARD HULS

'Georgia on my Mind'

Mixed Chorus 2,3,4  
F.F.A. 2,3,4  
Quartette 4  
Senior Play 1



MARGIE KESSLER

'Sweet and Lovely'

Girls League 2  
Student Council  
Secretary 3  
Pageant 3  
Treasurer 4  
Annual Staff



JONE LEDDICK

'Ann Arbor, Here I Come'

Mixed Chorus 1,3,4  
Double Trio 2,3,4  
Pageant 1,2,3  
Cats Meow 1,2,3,4  
Cheerleader 2  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Annual Editor  
Senior Play 2  
Secretary 4



KEITH LOWNDS

'I Love to do Crossword Puzzles'

Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2  
Mixed Chorus 3,4  
Band 1,2,3  
Pageant 3  
Quartette 4  
Senior Play 2

DICK MAHONEY

'Oh Bury Me Not on the Lone Prairie'

Senior Play 1,2  
Football





ELSIE MACHOVSKY  
'Just Call Me Supy'

Annual Staff



HARRIETTE NELSON  
'Diamonds are a Girl's  
Best Friend'

Cats Meow 1  
Pageant 3  
Girls League 2



VIRGINIA NICHOLS  
'Is Anybody Going to  
Muskegon?'

Basketball 1,2  
Pageant 1,3  
Senior Play 2  
Girls League 3  
Annual Staff

DON NEUBAUER  
'Milkman Keep Those  
Bottles Quiet'

Senior Play 1



MARIE PARKER  
'I'll Get By'

Cats Meow 1,2,3,4  
Cats Meow Editor 4  
Pageant 1,3  
Basketball 1  
Girls League 2,3  
Cheerleader 2,3  
Mixed Chorus 3,4  
Senior Play 2  
President 4  
Senior Play Director



GERRY ROGERS  
'Tale Teller of Tall  
Timber'

Football 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2  
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4  
F.F.A. President 4  
Vice President 4



WALTER SCARLETT  
'The Perfect Gentleman'

Baseball 1,2,3,4  
President 3

HAROLD SCHNEIDER  
'Walking in the Rain'







**BETTY SEABIN**

'The Longest Mile is  
The Last Mile Home'

Twirling 1,2,3  
Cats Meow 1  
Pageant 1,3  
Senior Play 1  
Annual Staff

**EUGENE SCHILLER**

'He Cheers a Cheerleader'

Football 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2  
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4  
F.F.A. Treasurer 3,4



**TIMOTHY SCHILLER**

'My Name's Timothy,  
And That Ain't Hay'

Baseball 1,2,3,4  
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4  
F.F.A. Secretary 4  
Football 1,2,3,4



**DON SQUIRES**

'Not Unless Ellie Goes  
Too'

Basketball 1,2  
Football 1,2,  
Vice-President of  
Student Council 1



**IDAMAE STOKES**

'Miss Gerred's Man  
Friday'

Annual Staff  
Senior Play 2

**FAYE STRUVEN**

'But My Old Jeep, Just  
Keeps Rolling Along'

Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Annual Staff  
Pageant 1,3  
Cheerleader 2,3



**EUGENE VAN NETT**

'Heart-breaker of the  
Female Underclass-  
men'

Football 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2,4  
Basketball 1,2  
Annual Staff  
Student Council 4  
F.F.A. 3,4  
F.F.A. Vice-President 4  
Treasurer 1



**SALLY VANDERZYL**

'They Call Her Frivolous  
Sal'

Basketball 1,2,3  
Pageant 1,3  
Girls League 2,3,4  
Annual Staff  
Senior Play 1





**DONNA WANTZ**  
 'Five Feet Two, Eyes  
 of Blue'  
 Basketball 1  
 Pageant 3  
 Mixed Chorus 4

**DONNA WEESIES**  
 'Celery is My Specialty'  
 Band 1,2,3,4  
 Pageant 1,3  
 Girls League 2  
 Treasurer 3  
 Annual Staff



**BOB WESTBROOK**  
 'All American Boy'  
 Football 1,2,3,4  
 Basketball 1,2,3,4  
 Baseball 1,2,3,4  
 President 1,2  
 President of Student  
 Council 4  
 Pageant 3  
 Mixed Chorus 3,4



**MARILYN WOLLER**  
 'The Eternal Giggler'  
 Pageant 1,3  
 Girls League 2,4  
 Mixed Chorus 2,3,4  
 Annual Staff  
 Director of Senior Play 2



**DON YAGER**  
 'Cigarettes, and Whiskey  
 and Wild, Wild Women'  
 Football 1,2,3  
 Basketball 1,2,3,4  
 Baseball 1  
 F.F.A 2  
 Track 2,3  
 Annual Staff

**MARY HISSONG**  
 'Just Call me Sunshine'  
 Annual Staff  
 Senior Play 2  
 Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4



**BRUCE MAC DONALD**  
 'A Fine Broth of a Lad'  
 Senior Play 1



# PROM



Spring Prom: May 5th, 1950--Tony Horvath's Orchestra

# MOCK ELECTION



Top, left to right: M. Parker, class flirt; F. Grover, class wolf; C. Erdman, most studios; M. Dahl, most likely to succeed; M. Parker, J. Rogers, High School most popular, B. Westbrook, J. Dahl, Class most popular; B. Brown, Shy girl; W. Scarlett, shy guy.  
Bottom, left to right: M. Hissong, chatterbox; J. Leddick, best dressed; F. Struven, B. Westbrook, J. Bartlett, best dancers; J. Rogers, best athelete, most attractive boy; M. Kessler, most attractive girl.



# UNDERCLASSMEN









First row; left to right: A. Alfnejd, N. Bennett, C. Burns, E. Butzer, F. Butzer, H. Butzer, M. Butzer, D. Crawford, G. Dahl.

Second row: L. Deneau, S. Ernst, J. Graham, F. Fielding, J. Friday, J. Fohlbrook, E. Hickman, R. Huls, W. Huls.

Third row; R. Jancek, B. Kittridge, C. Kittridge, E. Kowarsch, D. Kroll, C. LaFever, A. Lehman, E. Lohman, J. Lipka.

Fourth row: E. Lundquist, D. Mahoney, H. Mason, P. McCee, J. Meyers, L. Meinart, L. Morningstar, D. Myers, P.

Fifth row: M. Omness, B. Ramthun, J. Reavey, D. Scarlett, L. Shirtum, I. Squires, W. Sweeten, L. Twist, D. Tyler.

Sixth row: B. Walgren, F. Wiltse, E. Woller, D. Visger.



## JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Back row, left to right: B. Kittridge, treasurer; L. Deneau, president.

Front row: D. Scarlett, vice-president; B. Ramthun, secretary.







First row, left to right: R. Aley, A. Alfrejd, W. Anderson, G. Ball,  
H. Baxter, M. Bays, F. Brown, E. Davey, B. Eilers.

Second row: H. Flagstad, R. Frost, W. Gibbs, J. Golden, C. Grow, J.  
Hansen, D. Higgins, E. Hoffman, W. Houseman.

Third row: B. Howard, G. Kari, J. Kroll, G. Loomis, B. Lownds, C.  
Mikkelson, R. Mikkelson, C. Nelson, D. Osborn.

Fourth row: M. Parker, N. Radics, R. Scharmer, F. Schiller, W.  
Schmiedknecht, L. Schutter, L. Short, R. Squires, T. Stafford.

Fifth Row: M. Thoma, K. Wallace, L. Westbrook, G. Whiting, G. Zuder.



## SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS



Back row, left to right: R. Aley, Jr., Vice-president; R.  
Squires, Treasurer.

Front row: E. Hoffman, Secretary; R. Scharmer, President.







First row, left to right: B. Abuja, G. Alderink, I. Anderson, R. Anderson, M. Anderson, R. Baxter, C. Beerman, R. Brandt, L. Clements.

Second row: J. Czarny, G. Deater, D. Deagen, D. Doubles, D. Ehlke, B. Eilers, B. Eilers, J. Eilers, L. Eilers.

Third row: P. Eilers, K. Ellsworth, R. Erdman, K. Ferguson, I. Friday, C. Gale, O. Gibbs, V. Gowell, L. Grover.

Fourth row: T. Hanson, J. Hathorn, J. Hissong, C. Kari, A. Kelly, L. Kinstner, J. Kinney, S. Kittridge, C. Kline.

Fifth row: V. Miller, A. Kroll, E. Kurdziel, R. Lownds, M. Hunt, P. Hunt, B. Mahoney, M. Mahoney, V. McDagen.

Sixth row: C. Myers, J. Morningstar, B. Nichols, C. Noble, J. Pelton, A. Peterson, K. Rager, P. Raymond, J. Reavey.

Seventh row: P. Scarlett, J. Schmiedknecht, K. Snell, D. Squires, S. Strahl, R. Theiman, S. Townsend, F. Tutak, L. Urbish.

Eighth row: W. Wackernagel, W. Wagner, M. Wiedemann, C. Westerlind, C. Yager, H. Zuder.

## FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS



Left to right: J. Czarny, Treasurer; L. Clements, Vice-President; V. Gowell, Secretary; Missing, J. Kinney, President.





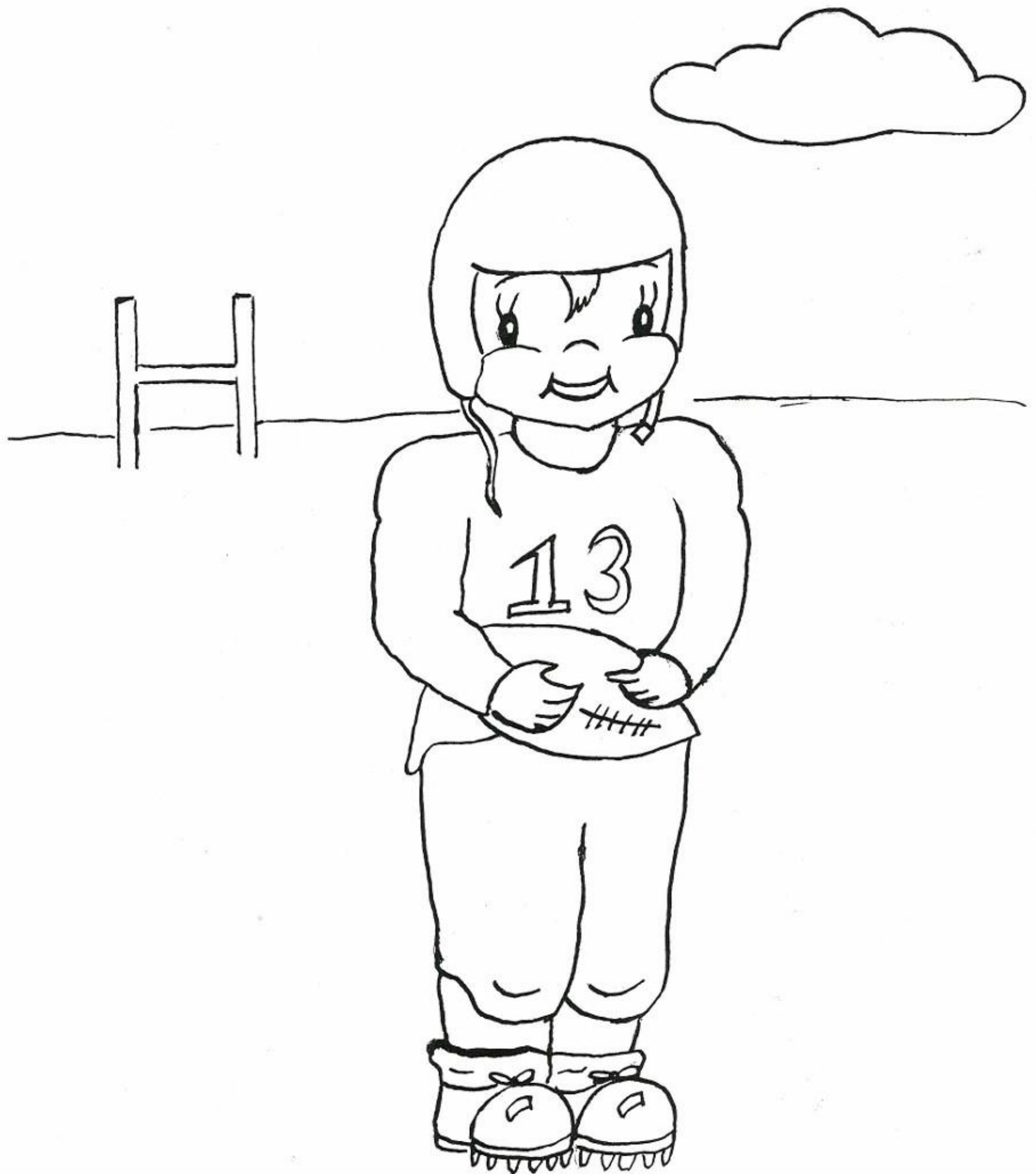
# CLASS PROPHECY



We the class of 1950 do hereby attempt to lift aside the veil between the present and the future. We foresee in the future, the town of Montague in the year 1975, now a huge industrial city and as the scene clears, we see Earl Bennett now a wealthy inventor and owner of a whole industrial chain of garages. He is now putting up a plant to develop atom rocket cars: Walt Scarlett is his head mechanic. Roger Ball is now in far off Africa, teaching the natives for now he is a missionary. Herb Brunais or should we say Lieutenant Commander Brunais is the head of a new atomic experimental fleet commissioned to explore the South Pole more thoroughly. Ah yes, there is Joyce Bartlett with her tremendous new saw mill and her booming business has increased the population of Rothbury ten times. Skip Gregerson, mayor of Montague, is a lumberjack in his spare moments and he furnishes all the lumber for Bartlett's saw mill. Barbara Brown is a Civil Service Head in Washington where she has already been decorated for her service five times. Elmer Bays has established a giant Farm Bureau Service in Montague, while Ed Huls and Melvin Davey assist him by selling farm machinery and grains. Gene Schiller has assembled a whole fleet of taxicabs and his business is always booming with ready customers. Dave Frost has cornered the market on frozen foods and his products are all over town under the novel name of 'Frost's Bite', Jean Casebolt has deserted the town to return to her native Kentucky where she specializes in selling sweet potato pies and corn fritters. Lorrie Christensen has opened a huge meat shop downtown of twenty stories; it is bright red and every night a neon sign flashes 'Lorrie's meets, get your big beef here!' Mick Cox owns a huge chicken ranch outside of Montague and on the side of his bright yellow convertible he advertises it as 'Micks Chicks!' Mary and Trudy Dahl are both teachers, and teach the 3rd and 4th grades respectively at Montague which now has an enrollment of 1200. Ellen Deater, now Ellen Caniff, is kept busy with 12 children. Bev Doubles is now owner and proprietor of Bev's Cafe, which is between Muskegon and Whitehall and Bev's jumbo hamburgers are known all over the state. Betty Eilers is kept busy with the accounts of her ten new oil wells and owns a huge home out in the country. Mary Alice Eilers is a country school teacher and she takes trips to Alaska every summer. And there ringing the bell of the church is Rev. Cy Erdman whose sermons are heard by people who travel from far and near to hear him. Wayne Friday owns a wheat farm and Floyd Grover has taken over his Father's fish tug, and every afternoon strains of his accordian can be heard floating out over the water. Charlotte Hall and Sally Vanderzyl own a used car lot and every Saturday night Sally races in the Roller Skating Derby. Don Squires, George Hanson, and Don Yager all own a steamship line on Lake Michigan and they engineer boats through the locks every season. Jerry Rogers is known as the richest bum in town. He does nothing but ride around all day in his Cadillac bought with the money he received for his gold strike, when he was very young. June Helmer and Bette Seaben own a fur store and every Fall they close up shop to go out and trap the needed furs. Mary Hissong lives on a huge fruit farm and specializes in raising hogs with her family of 7 boys and 5 girls. Harriett Nelson is married also and lives in Muskegon with her family of 16; Gini Nichols also lives in Muskegon. Marie Parker owns a chain of dairies and Faye Struven, with



# SPORTS





# FOOTBALL



Fourth row, left to right: W. Friday, E. VanNett, J. Rogers, G. Hansen, E. Jancek, T. Schiller, B. Caniff, K. Rager, E. Bennett.

Third row: F. Schiller, J. Fohlbrook, G. Dahl, J. Lipka, T. Hansen, W. Anderson, W. Gibbs, C. Kittridge, R. Erdman, J. Kroll.

Second row: G. Felt, assistant coach; A. Kelly, S. Townsend, E. Gregersen, R. Aley, B. Westbrook, L. Clemens, D. Mahoney, A. Peterson, E. Bays, R. Yeager, coach.

First row: G. Whiting, J. Hissong, R. Mahoney, W. Wackernagel, M. Wiedman, C. Grow, S. Flagstad, R. Thieman.







Coach Richard Yeager and football trophy.

## FOOTBALL

The year of 1949 brought Montague High School a very successful football team, in fact, it was undefeated and by so doing became West Michigan Conference Champions.

At the start of the forty-nine season things looked pretty low for football at Montague because many of the starting line-up of the previous year had graduated in June which did not leave much experienced material for this year. There was very little weight on the team and for this reason Coach Yeager switched from the single wing to the T formation relying on speed and because he did switch almost every man was playing a different position than he had the year before. A large amount of Montague's success this year can be laid to the fact that the team worked completely together on the field and also that everybody worked hard in practice plus the good spirit of the students.

The first game of the season was with our traditional rivals Whitehall. The game was played at Montague. It was a hard fought game during which Whitehall led up until the latter part of the game when Montague tied it up. The game ended in a 7-7 tie. The next game was also played at Montague against Grant. The Wildcats swamped the opposing team 51-0. Montague then journeyed to Hart to play another conference game which ended in a 6-6 tie. Shelby was the Cats next victim; they beat Shelby 21-0 on our home field. North Muskegon with whom Montague played it's next game, was expected to put up a tough battle because Montague was the only league team to defeat them the previous season. They did make a violent try but stout Montague emerged with a 6-0 victory. In the next two league games Montague beat Scottville 32-7 in a one-sided game at Scottville and then came back to Whitehall to give them a 37-6 whipping which clinched the conference crown for Montague.

The Wildcats played another non-conference game and handed Newaygo it's only defeat by the score of 12-0.

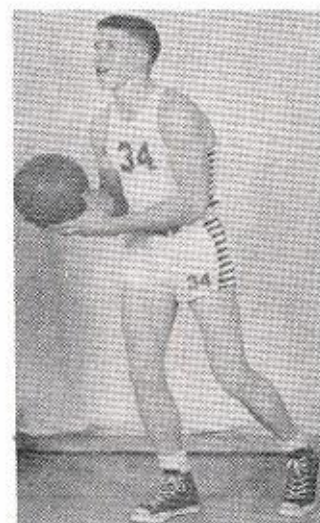


# BASKETBALL

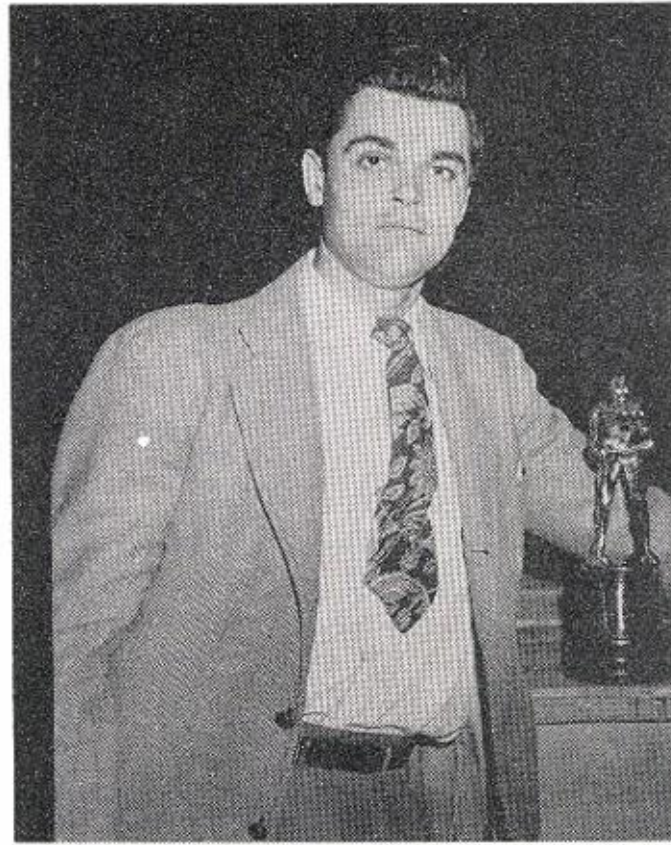


Back row, left to right: D. Tyler, Manager; E. Hickman, J. Fohlbrook, G. Dahl, D. Mahoney, G. Felt, Coach.

Front row: E. Gregersen, L. Christensen, K. Lownds, G. Hansen, J. Rogers, D. Yager, L. Deneau.







Coach George Felt and basketball trophy.

### BASKETBALL

Montague had a slow start in basketball this season, but as the year progressed they became one of the topnotch teams in the conference. In the few games before Christmas vacation the Cats made a poor showing, losing more than they won. When they started up after vacation again, however, they began to click and although they did not win every game, they won more than their share.

They beat every conference team at least once and some twice. Probably the greatest victory for the Wild Cats was a win over the champion Hart Pirates. It was the first one Montague had won from Hart in two and a half seasons of play. When the conference season ended, Montague was in a tie with North Muskegon, for second place with Hart in the League.

In the first game of the District tournaments, which were played at Hart, Montague defeated their arch rivals, the Whitehall Vikings; Montague's next opponent was Shelby who had defeated Scottville. The Cats also emerged the victors from this game. In the second game that night, the favored Hart Pirates were defeated by a fighting Hesperia team. Hesperia used up all its spirit that night and in the game following they were defeated by Montague which made Montague the District Champions. The Cats then went to the Regionals which were played at Greenville. Their first opponent was Okemos. Montague won the game but were defeated the next night by Lansing St. Marys in the semi-final so ended the '50' basketball season for Mongague.



# BASEBALL



Back row, left to right: R. Yeager, coach; N. Radics, G. Whiting, M. Bays, J. Burmeister, R. Huls, C. Williams, J. Kroll, R. Mikkelsen, H. Butzer, C. Mikkelsen, B. Grow, G. Felt, assistant coach.

Front row: W. Houseman, W. Scarlett, R. Aley, W. Friday, A. Cox, G. Hansen, R. J. Jancek, A. Lohman, G. Dahl, J. Fohlbrook, B. Westbrook.

# GOLF



Back row, left to right: D. Kroll, R. Scharmer, J. Bendelow, Instr, E. Woller, J. Kari.  
Front row: C. Kittridge, J. Lipka, D. Mahoney, E. Butzer.

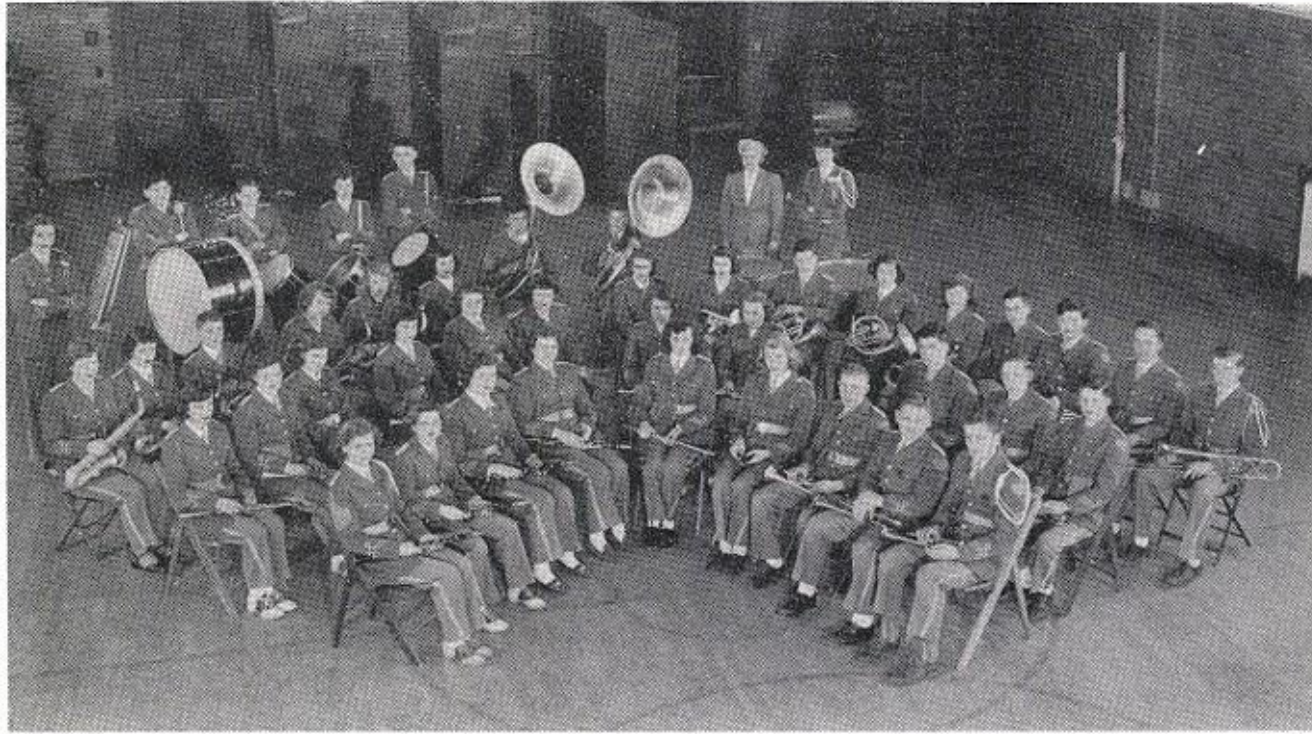


# ACTIVITIES





# SENIOR BAND



Fourth row, left to right: L. Short, E. Nesbit, G. Jacobs, J. Reavey, R. Scharmer, Mrs. Gibbs, director; J. Leddick.  
 Third row: L. Shirtum, J. Reavey, R. Anderson, M. Ford, J. Schultz, F. Tutak, D. Higgan, D. Ball, J. Bartlett, E. Kowarsh, F. Lehman, L. Hunt, V. Gowell, J. Nichols, B. Nesbit, H. Butzer, R. Hoffman.  
 Second row: B. Rachetz, M. Butzer, B. Kittridge, B. Mikkelson, J. Kropf, C. Westerland, L. Snyder, M. Weesies, W. Schmiedknecht, R. Thieman, D. Doubles,  
 First row, B. Walgren, C. Deneau, M. Thoma, K. Wallace, D. Weesies, C. Meyers, M. Wiedeman, J. Strahl, B. Gibbs.

# PEP BAND



Back row, left to right: H. Butzer, J. Nichols, B. Nesbit, L. Short, E. Nesbit, R. Hoffman, R. Scharmer, J. Reavey, D. Ball.  
 Front row: C. Deneau, J. Kropf, B. Walgren, B. Mikkelson, B. Rachetz, D. Doubles, J. Strahl, and L. Hunt.



## BATON TWIRLERS



Back row, left to right: D. Osborn, B. Seaben, T. Stafford, B. Schultz, J. Burley.

Front row: D. Whiting, S. Whiting, D. Baxter, K. Blackburn, P. Kittridge.

## CHEER LEADERS



Left to right: E. Hoffman, F. Brown, J. Reavey, M. Butzer.



## SENIOR CHORUS



Fifth row, left to right: L. Short, E. Huls, R. Jancek, W. Huls, E. Jancek, W. Schmiedknecht, B. Caniff, B. Westbrook, J. Leddick.  
 Fourth row: R. Mahoney, D. Meyers, P. McCee, I. Stokes, M. Thoma, F. Brown, R. Huls, B. McDonald.  
 Third row: J. Fohlbrook, N. Radics, E. Woller, A. Alfnejd, F. Struven, M. Parker, J. Meyers, A. Lehman, K. Wallace, R. Scharmer.  
 Second row: A. Alfnejd, L. Shirtum, M. Woller, D. Mahoney, L. Morningstar, B. Lownds, L. Westbrook, F. Morningstar.  
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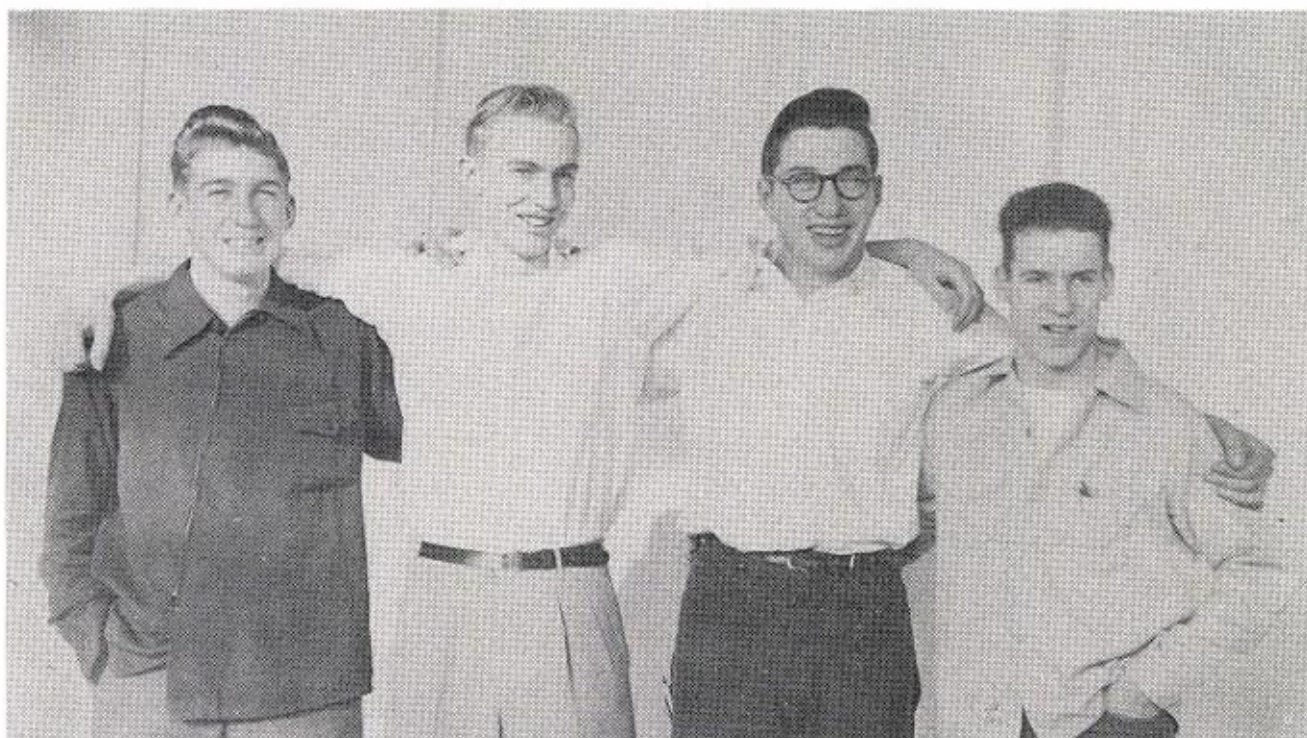
## JUNIOR CHORUS



Fifth row: P. King, A. Peterson, F. Wackernagel, C. Daley, L. Clemens, K. Rager, T. Hanson, K. Ferguson, B. Nesbit, A. Kelly, R. Briant.  
 Fourth row: R. Anderson, B. Eilers, P. Raymond, J. Kroph, C. Myers, J. Kelly, C. Yager, P. Hunt, C. Westerlind, C. Gale, M. Wiedemann.  
 Third row: I. Friday, V. McDagen, J. Schultz, V. Miller, B. Mahoney, J. Hathhorn, R. Anderson, E. Kurdziel, S. Kittridge, C. Yager, C. Kline, M. Hunt, T. Woller, M. Ford.  
 Second row: R. Lownds, V. Gowell, P. Scarlett, H. Czarny, G. Alderink, B. Abuja, B. Mikkelson, S. Smith, R. Baxter, B. Eilers, B. Rachetz, J. Morningstar, E. Schnieder, G. Ball. (First row: omitted)



## QUARTET



Left to right: E. Huls, K. Lownds, R. Jancek, J. Hissong.



## DOUBLE TRIO



Back row, left to right: J. Leddick, M. Thoma.  
Front row: J. Bartlett, D. Scarlett, L. Shirtum, R. Deater.

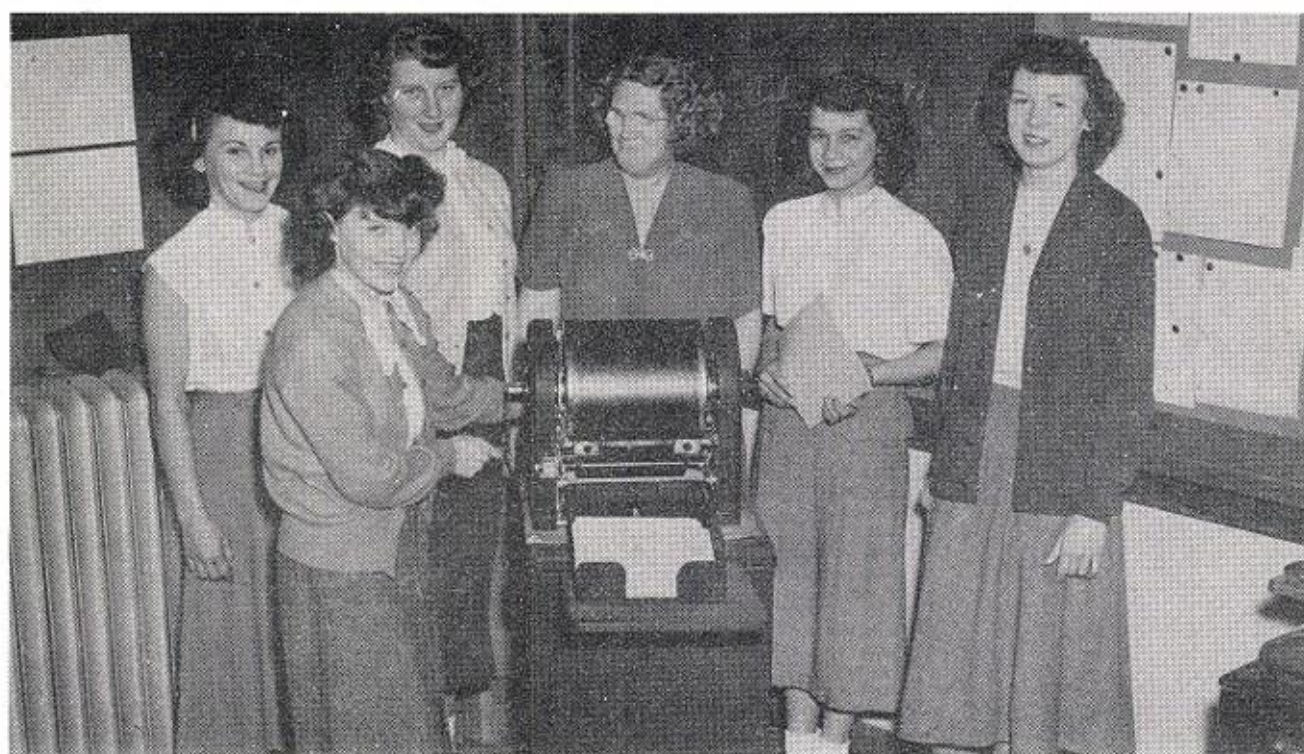


## THE CATS MEOW



Third row: B. Doubles, J. Bartlett, B. Howard, D. Osborn, M. Parker, E. Hoffman, I. Squires.  
 Second row: N. Bennett, L. Shirtum, E. Huls, R. Aley Student Advisor; B. Brown, E. Woller, L. Westbrook.  
 First row: L. Deneau, B. Lownds, J. Nichols, C. Erdman, M. Parker, J. Leddick, I. Stokes, J. Dahl.

## PRINTING STAFF



Left to right: E. Deater, E. Machovsky, B. Eilers, M. Gerred, Instructor; B. Seaben, D. Meyers.



# STUDENT COUNCIL



Back row, left to right: B. Rachetz, M. Parker, D. Mahoney, W. Schmiedknecht, J. Brown, E. VanNett, B. Eilers, J. Bartlett.  
Front row: R. Squires, F. Fielding, A. Lehman, L. Christensen, B. Westbrook, B. Kittridge, G. Felt, Advisor; R. Mahoney.



QUEEN DAESTRA SCARLETT presiding at Jingle Bells Ball and Mr. Ray Aley.



## F.F.A.



Fifth row, left to right: K. Rager, F. Wiltse, B. Caniff, R. Jancek, E. Jancek, A. Cox, W. Huls, E. Lohman, C. Williams, W. Friday.  
 Fourth row: J. Pelton, R. Ferguson, T. Hansen, R. Frost, W. Anderson, C. Daley, F. Schiller, L. Clements, J. Fohlbrook, C. Lombard.  
 Third row: D. Higgins, E. Butzer, R. Huls, J. Hansen, R. Gale, L. Eilers, J. Burmeister, T. Morningstar, L. Twist, J. Hissong.  
 Second row: J. Golden, L. Morningstar, D. Ball, R. Brandt, F. Butzer, C. LaFever, E. Bays, I. Anderson, C. Mikkelsen, K. Beerman, M. Siakel, Advisor.  
 First row: P. Eilers, W. Wagner, E. Huls, T. Schiller, J. Rogers, E. VanNett, E. Schiller, M. Davey, K. Snell, R. Anderson.

## GIRLS' LEAGUE



Fourth row, left to right: F. Brown, D. Crawford, M. Hunt, V. Miller, A. Alfnejd, T. Stafford, L. Shirtum, M. Dahl, L. Westbrook, C. Myers.  
 Third row: E. Hoffman, M. Parker, M. Mikkelsen, E. Kowarsch, J. Reavey, I. Friday, B. Eilers, M. Butzer.  
 Second row: M. Omness, C. Westerlind, D. Myers, C. Yager, K. Wallace, A. Alfnejd, P. Hunt, M. Woller, S. Shouba, Advisor.  
 First row: C. Deneau, F. Tutak, G. Loomis, J. Graham, E. Davey, L. Schnieder, K. Boardwell, K. Kari.



# SENIOR PLAY



Honey in the Hive

On November 18 and 19, the Seniors presented their fall play Honey in the Hive.

The Maxwells, a family of moderate means, suddenly became very political minded. Mr. Maxwell, played by Don Neubauer is sold on the idea of becoming State Representative promoted by Mr. Coday (Earl Bennett) a political big shot and wealthy man. Mr. Maxwell even dreams of going on to better positions, maybe even as far as the Whitehouse. Mrs. Maxwell (Idamae Stokes) doesn't agree with Mr. Coday but after awhile is convinced. Betty Lou Maxwell (Joyce Bartlett) is all for the idea of her Father becoming State Representative. She becomes very friendly with Suzanne Coday (Sally Vanderzyl), the Coday's spoiled daughter. Bernadine, Betty Lou's friend (Bev Doubles), doesn't like this very much. Connie Maxwell (Barbara Brown) and Wilbur Maxwell (Bruce MacDonald) are satisfied with their moderate means and would like their Father to give up the idea of becoming State Representative. Wilbur Maxwell is a little devil who adds many a laugh to the play. The rest of the cast are Mrs. Coday--Charlotte Hall, Roger Coday--Ed Huls, Arthur Coday--Dick Mahoney, and neighbors of the Maxwells are played by Skip Gregersen, June Helmer, and Bette Seaben.

Mr. Aley directed the play with Marie Parker as Student Director.





# SENIOR PLAY



Haunted High School

Haunted High School, the spring play was presented by the Senior class March 21st and April 1st.

The story is that before the play begins, the principal of Eagle High has been killed by an automobile. He is being temporarily replaced by Mary Dahl who plays Miss Drake, a rather disillusioned old maid school teacher. Stephen Jefferson is the new principal played by Keith Lownds, sent to replace Mr. Southard the one who was killed. A mystery develops when the dead principal's sister Pearl, played by Mary Hissong, disappears from the school while trying to reveal that the murderer is at large. The lights flash off and on as blood curdling screams echo like shrieks of tortured souls. Lorrie Christensen (Butch), Joey Dahl (Celia), Dick Mahoney (Dopey), Joyce Bartlett (Penny) and Melvin Davey (Clarence) all play students of Eagle High. Jone Leddick plays the eccentric old maid school teacher, Flavia Delande, who has matrimonial designs on any available male. Floyd Grover as Johnny Strupe, the detective, is sent to clear up the mystery and is the luckless man who falls into Flavia's clutches. Marie Parker plays Myrna Manson an attractive school assistant, while Idamae Stokes portrays an elderly dowager, Mrs. Pendleton. Ambrose, the janitor, is played by Elmer Bays who is mysteriously attacked in a dark hall. This all takes place when the students and faculty of Eagle High change places for Youth's Day, an annual celebration.

Miss Kellogg did a very capable job of directing with Marilyn Woller as Student Director.





her jeep is ace trouble shooter. Don Neubauer is head driver of the milk truck syndicate. Tim Schiller is a Captain in the Marines and has command of a platoon of leathernecks in Iceland. Donna Wantz is Secretary to Gene VanNett who owns a matrimonial agency. Harold Schneider is engrossed in building a huge span bridge over White Lake after his many mechanical feats. Bruce MacDonald is busy writing his book a world tour called 'Around the World in a Rowboat'. Joey Dahl is doing all the typing for Bruce although we have our doubts whether the book will ever be published at that rate. All-American Bob Westbrook is kept busy coaching at Montague High after playing professional football for 12 years. Roger Hoffman has a gold-plated trombone and every Saturday night he leads the town band in a concert. Idamae Stokes and Marge Kessler are both country school teachers; Marge is also a veteran flier and one of the chief supporters of Rothbury Airport which now has ten runways, two control towers, radar, and numerous other modern conveniences. Elsie Machovsky is an airline stewardess from her home port, Rothbury; Jone Leddick has left for New York and lives there quite quietly on Fifth Avenue. Keith Lownds and Donna Weesie have established a huge truck garden outside of Montague and last but not least is the Western Michigan cowpuncher, Dick Mahoney; who owns a whole string of racing ponies and is manager of the local race track. With these words all in fun, we close the prophecy with the hope for a happy and successful future for all of us.-----







# CATS MEOW

## SENIORS VISIT CHRONICLE

Last Friday the senior class visited the Muskegon Chronicle Building accompanied by the teacher Mr.aley.

The group was led on a tour through the library the composing room the linotyping room and the press room, by Mrs. Helen Stipe, the librarian. Mr. Walker showed and explained the teletype machines and the wirephoto machine. He also, explained the duties of various people in the newsroom.

The Chronicle Library only of clips. Joyce- For Goodness sake, use both hands! Skip- Can't. Gotta drive with one. Stipe are various newsbooks to aid the newswriters. From the library the group went to the newsroom where news is written before being sent to the printing room. Located off the newsroom United Press and Associated Presses Teletypes, which enable to reach the Chronicle.

## CATS VS NORTH MUSKEGON

Tonight the Wildcats will play their first evening game of the season against a strong North Muskegon five, at the North Muskegon gym.

## SENIORS PICK

"THE HAUNTED HIGH SCHOOL"

High School will be on the week.

## SEEK SCHOOL FLAG

The Student Council has decided that we need a school flag and in order to get one are sponsoring a design contest. The only definite rules for the contest are these: The cast, consisting of eight to six fellows, is in the process of chosen. Tryouts started last Tuesday and practice will begin sometime next week.

Big plans are being made by the Senior Initiation Committee headed by Floyd Grover for the entertainment of the Freshmen. All freshmen will be given slips of paper on which will be written their assigned costume; and from overheard whispers all that can be said is "Pity the freshmen."

## VOLUME XIII

## STUDENT COUNCIL PLANS DRAMATICS CLUB

The student council at a recent meeting, discussed the possibilities of a dramatics club. The club would be the most suitable for our school. In order to get a better organization of the club the secretary of the council has written to Shelby High for information on their home floor. The game proved to be a very close and exciting one, the Wildcats winning in the last quarter by a score of 32 to 29.

The lead changed hands in the first quarter and this

Miss Kellogg: "Waiter, what is this?"

Miss K. "It's bean soup." "Waiter, what is this?" "I don't really care what it's been, what is it now?"

## GIRLS ENJOY BASKETBALL

Girls League has about

## F.F.A. CONTEST

The district F.F.A. contest went very well as far as our boys are concerned. Leon Twiss took a bronze rating in speech. The demonstration team Ed Butzer and

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## HONOR ROLL SURPRISES

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## SOPHS SPONSORED DANCE

he dance Friday quite a WHITEHALL TONIGHT

might the Wildcats play their close s from across the river, the White-Vikings. If the Wildcats beat Whitehall they will be in second place, depending on whether Norrats Hart or not. Whitehall this year and the MONTAGUE V.S. HART

## CEHRLI RETURNS FROM EAST

February 25, Mr. Cehrl left Montague for Atlantic City, N. J., where he attended the annual conference of the American Association of School Administrators. Mr. Cehrl's pleasant affair by train and the several alumni home from college for Thanksgiving vacation among them were: David Laddick and Michael Russell home from the University of Michigan in Myers, Michigan North, and Alice Gustafson from Davenport, Mc

Committees were: Jack



# CO-VALEDICTORY

MARY DAHL

Parents and friends, I participate in this service with a great deal of pleasure. You have watched us pass through this channel of four years and you have watched us prepare ourselves for the deep waters of life.

Today in the nation almost every young person's life is pretty well planned for him up to and including the high school education. We all know we are going to grade school, junior high, and high school; but there the plan terminates and now we are beginning to realize the responsibility of charting our own course. As of tonight we leave the channel and launch into the deep, to prove to ourselves and to you who have been so understanding and faithful, that we have developed sufficiently in mind, body and spirit to withstand the dangers and temptations which lie ahead. Good things are ahead of us, especially for those who strive for them. However, we know there are black storms on the rough sea of life, but the supreme Pilot has endowed each of us with abilities to reckon with our own problems. As we navigate the great expanse, he must be our compass, our guide, and our advisor.

We are not here to receive laurels, but rather to utilize our best qualities in bettering ourselves, those about us, and most of all, to leave this world a little better than when we found it. The plight of our nation and of this world hangs on our generation. I sincerely hope we may be as faithful to the cause of Democracy as you.

When you leave this scene tonight, I ask you not to say, "Well another class has graduated," because this is our class; we would rather have you say, "The class of 1950 has graduated and tonight they left the quiet and sheltered channel and launched into deep water."



CY ERDMAN

Parents, friends, and classmates: Because of the many existing threats in this world to our human rights, it is a great privilege to speak to you concerning the all important Christian heritage of freedoms that we have as citizens of a Christian nation.

Our fore-fathers traveled from the Old World of persecutions to the New World with the burning desire to advance the Christian Faith and establish a greater religious freedom.

Their Christian ideals prevailed, after our nation had fought and won its Liberty, in that the laws of this new democracy, the United States of America, were based on the Gospel of their faith.

It is certain that I or any other young person could find but very few countries where we might publicly exercise our freedom of speech and stand in our faith in God and credit Him for what we have attained, especially our athletic or scholastic abilities for which we have striven, with such keen interest, these past four years.

Our nation is also among the few where one is able to realize a freedom from fear. Our constitution prohibits any unwarranted intrusion into our private homes and lives and insures equality for all persons. But more than this, we young people have the freedom from fear of forced conscription for the purpose of military aggression, we have no fear of being arrested in the middle of the night by secret police and parted from our homes and families, because we have no "Mein Kampf" substituting for God's Holy Word, the Bible; nor a "Karl Marx" able enough to lead us from Christian principles.

These freedoms that we have obligate us to uphold and defend them with the same Christian faith in which they were given to us. Today, the youth of Eastern Germany and of the other Communist dominated countries have their faith in power, the power of world dictatorship and with their military training in police and guerrilla warfare, they have gained a distorted sense of superiority causing hatred and strife. In our country, free by God's Providence, we enjoy the highest of moral and social standards by our faith in Jesus Christ, who gives us the spirit of brotherhood, peace of mind, and eternal security.

Therefore the obligation rests on us all, especially as parents and future parents, to live and be witnesses to the sustaining faith in God.



# SALUTATORIAN

Barbara Brown

Tonight, we, the graduating class of 1950, stand on the threshold of a new and different life. I would like to welcome you, our parents, teachers and friends to witness our final step through that door. After tonight we will no longer be 'school children', we will have taken our place in the adult world.

A world of adventure and opportunities lies before us. You are the ones responsible for our being able to take advantage of those opportunities. Without your help we could not be here, ready to graduate tonight.

Each member of the class, I am sure already cherishes dreams for the future. No matter how wild some of the dreams may sound, because of the solid foundation upon which our country is built the dream can often be realized.

We step forth into a land of opportunity. Many people before us, who have not had the advantage of a good education that we have, have become famous. How much further can we go therefor, due to the education that has been provided for us. Perhaps, none of us will ever become famous in the eyes of the world, but we will doubtlessly, obtain the goal we have set for ourselves--if we work hard enough and long enough. The opportunity is there for those who deserve it. There will be many obstacles for each of us to hurdle, just as everyone before us has been called upon to do. The very fact that so many have succeeded in achieving their aims makes us determine that we, too, shall succeed.

Many of the members of the class will go on to college. Others of us will take up jobs without any further formal training. No matter which is our course, we have gained a foundation which should make it possible for us to continue to learn and increase our knowledge and information. We should be capable of learning whatever is necessary for the jobs we are to do. We obtained this foundation because we took advantage of the opportunity handed to us. From now on, we will not be handed opportunities so openly. We must discover or create them for ourselves. Nevertheless, they are there. All we need to do to obtain our chances is to be sincere.

Many unknown Americans as well as famous ones have helped to build this great land of opportunity and prosperity. They have left us a rich inheritance. Through proper management, we should be able to pass on this inheritance with an added dividend.

This country has every type of industry. People for every profession are in demand. Our industries and homes have not been torn by the bombs of war. No matter how wonderful something is, though, some improvements can be made upon it. Nothing is perfect, Therefore, we have the opportunity to make this even a better land in which to live.

I, pledge for my class, that as citizens of this great and wonderful country, we will try to improve it as a payment for the opportunities that you have given us.



## CLASS SONG

(Tree In The Meadow)

There's a High School we're leaving,  
And to you it is good-bye  
We've all had fun but glad we're done  
With days at Montague High.  
And we'll always remember those four gay  
Years we've spent'  
We remember all the fun we had  
And all the things it meant.  
Now further on down life's long road  
Our trials will begin,  
There's better things for us ahead  
If only we'll dig in.  
And to class mates around us,  
We bid a fond good-bye  
It was lots of fun  
But now we're done  
With days at Montague High.





# EVENTS CALENDAR

1949-1950

|           |       |                                      |
|-----------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| September | 12    | Faculty meeting                      |
|           | 13    | Registration                         |
|           | 16    | Whitehall - football - here          |
|           | 23    | Grant - football - here              |
|           | 26    | Senior Class meets Balfour Co.       |
| October   | 30    | Hart - football - there              |
|           | 7     | Shelby - football - here             |
|           | 14    | North Muskegon - football - here     |
|           | 19    | Newaygo - football - here            |
|           | 20-21 | Michigan Education Association       |
|           | 26    | Teacher's Club Party                 |
|           | 27    | Immunization Program - p.m.          |
|           | 28    | Scottville - football - there        |
|           | 31    | Business - Education Day             |
| November  | 2     | Spaghetti Supper - 6:00 p.m.         |
|           | 3     | All College Day - 1:30 - Muskegon    |
|           | 4     | Whitehall - football - there         |
|           | 8     | Dairy Dinner                         |
|           | 10    | Assembly Program                     |
|           | 11    | High School Party                    |
|           | 12    | County Teachers Institute            |
|           | 15    | Assembly - Conservatory players      |
|           | 17    | P.T.A. & Pepsi-Cola Scholarship test |
|           | 19-20 | Senior Play                          |
|           | 22    | Dance Recital                        |
|           | 25-26 | Thanksgiving Recess                  |
|           | 29    | St. Jeans - Basketball - here        |
|           | 30    | Newaygo - basketball - there         |
| December  | 2     | N. Muskegon - basketball - there     |
|           | 7     | Hart - basketball here               |
|           | 9     | Scottville - basketball - here       |
|           | 16    | St. Mary's - basketball - here       |
|           | 23    | School closes - Christmas recess     |
| January   | 2     | School reopens                       |
|           | 6     | Hart - basketball - there            |
|           | 13    | Shelby - basketball - here           |
|           | 16    | Assembly program - 11:00 a.m.        |
|           | 19    | P.T.A.                               |
|           | 20    | Whitehall - basketball - there       |
|           | 27    | North Muskegon - basketball - here   |
| February  | 3     | Scottville - basketball - there      |
|           | 7     | St. Jeans - basketball - there       |
|           | 10    | Hart - basketball - here             |
|           | 16    | P.T.A.                               |
|           | 17    | Shelby - basketball - here           |
|           | 24    | Whitehall - basketball - here        |
| March     | 16    | P.T.A.                               |
|           | 16    | Assembly program                     |
|           | 24    | Senior Play                          |
| April     | 6     | Band Concert                         |
|           | 7     | School closes for Spring recess      |
| May       | 17    | School reopens                       |
|           | 5     | Junior Prom                          |
|           | 28    | Baccalaureate Sermon                 |
| June      | 30    | Memorial Day                         |
|           | 1     | Commencement                         |
|           | 2     | Alumni Banquet                       |
|           | 3     | School closes                        |















